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THIS Day the Right Reverend Father in God the Lord Biſhop of London, the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral of St. Paul, and the Clergy of the Cities of London and Weſtminſter, waited in a Body on His Majeſty with the following humble and unanimous Addreſs.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,
The humble Addreſs of the Biſhop, Dean, and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, and of the Clergy of the Cities of London and Weſtminſter.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Biſhop, Dean, and Chapter of your Cathedral Church of St. Paul, and the Clergy of the Cities of London and Weſtminſter; think it our indiſpenſable Duty at this Time, to preſent to your Majeſty a publick Teſtimony of our inviolable Fidelity to your Perſon, and of our Abhorrence of all Attempts to diſturb the Repoſe of your Government.

We are ſenſibly concern'd in common with your other Subjects, at the Proſpect of any Event, that may be prejudicial to Trade and Commerce; upon which, the Strength and Safety of theſe Kingdoms, and particularly the flouriſhing Eſtate of theſe two great Cities, ſo manifeſtly depend. But that which moſt deeply affects us, and fills our Hearts with a juſt Indignation and Reſentment, is the Engagement that has been entered into to ſet a Popiſh Pretender on your Throne. A Deſign, which could be form'd and projected by none, but thoſe who will not ſee and conſider, to what Degree the Mildneſs and Juſtice of your Government, your conſtant and tender Care of the Welfare of your People, your ſteady Regard to the Conſtitution in Church and State, and your unſhaken Reſolution in maintaining the Proteſtant Cauſe, have eſtabliſhed your Throne, and endeared you to your People.

Vain therefore are the Hopes of our Enemies, if they flatter themſelves, that a People in Poſſeſſion of ſuch valuable Bleſſings, can fail to ſhew the greateſt Vigour and Zeal for ſecuring and perpetuating them; either in Juſtice to themſelves and their Poſterity, or in Gratitude to your Majeſty, under God, the great Author of them.

Theſe Ties of Gratitude, Intereſt, and Affection, we ſhall be always careful to enforce, according to the Duty of our Stations, with the yet ſtronger Obligations of Religion and Conſcience: And we doubt not to defeat the falſe and ſeditious Suggeſtions of evil-minded Men, by inculcating into the People committed to our Care, a juſt Senſe of the Bleſſings they enjoy under your Majeſty's Government, and of the unavoidable Miſery and Ruin that a Proteſtant Church and Nation muſt always expect from a Popiſh Prince.

At the ſame time that we tender to your Majeſty theſe our ſincere Aſſurances of Duty and Loyalty, we offer up our hearty Prayers to Almighty God for the Safety and Honour of your Perſon and Government; that you may long Reign in Peace and Happineſs over a loyal and obedient People, and may at laſt exchange this earthly Crown for an immortal Crown of Glory in Heaven.

To which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to return the following moſt gracious Anſwer.

I Take this ſeaſonable and loyal Addreſs from my Clergy of the Cities of London and Weſtminſter, very kindly. I receive, with a particular Satisfaction, the Aſſurances you give me, of inculcating into the People committed to your Care the Principles of Duty and Loyalty to Me and my Government. And you may be aſſured, it ſhall be my conſtant Care to maintain the Church of England as by Law eſtabliſhed, and to ſupport the Proteſtant Intereſt in Europe.

His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive them very graciouſly, and they had all the Honour to kiſs His Majeſty's Hand.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of York, has been preſented to His Majeſty, by Sir William Milner, and Edward Thompſon, Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by the Right Honourable Sir Robert Walpole Chancellour of the Exchequer. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,
The humble Addreſs of the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of York.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE are ſenſibly affected with the Proſpect of thoſe many Evils intended againſt us by foreign Powers, which nothing but the Wiſdom of Counſels conducted by your Majeſty could have ſo timely foreſeen, nor none but a Prince the moſt indulgent Father of his People would have taken ſuch wiſe Meaſures to prevent: Meaſures to the carrying on whereof, we will with the greateſt Chearfulneſs contribute all that is valuable to us.

It is with the greateſt Surprize that we hear a foreign Prince imperiouſly demanding the Reſtitution of a Fortreſs (the Security and Glory of this Nation) as impregnable by him, as it is ineſtimable to us; and we do with equal Reſentment obſerve the Encroachments made upon our Trade encouraged and ſupported by another Prince, who has induſtriouſly and ungratefully forgot to whom he owes his Crown, and the Preſervation of his Country.

May thoſe Fleets and Arms now prepared by your Majeſty as the only Bulwark of the foreign Poſſeſſions and Trade of theſe Kingdoms, convince the World of your Majeſty's Power, and o your Subjects Security; and may they ever preſerve to us what is more valuable, your Majeſty's Perſon and Poſterity; and may your Majeſty ever continue to command that ſtill ſtronger Guard againſt the Popiſh Pretender and all our Enemies, the Hearts of your Subjects; a Guard which few Princes ever ſo univerſally experienced, and which none but the beſt of Princes can have.

The following humble Addreſs of the Magiſtracy and Principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Newark upon Trent, in the County of Nottingham, has been preſented to His Majeſty by James Pelham and Richard Sutton, Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by His Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Sacred Majeſty,
The humble Addreſs of the Magiſtracy and Principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Newark upon Trent, in the County of Nottingham.

Dread Sovereign,

WHILE the alternate Hopes and Fears of Europe wait upon your Councils, and Providence ſeconds what your Piety projects; we your Majeſty's moſt loyal and devoted Subjects beg Leave to preſs into your Royal Preſence with our officious Gratitude, for the promiſed Bleſſings that your paternal Concern for the Intereſts of your People will ſecure to us and to our Poſterity.

In ſome paſt Reigns our Fathers Addreſſes to the Throne, were either Diſguiſements of their Fears, or more modeſt Declarations of their Sufferings; for which their greateſt Benefit was their Rights turned into a Grace, and their only Honour a ſuſpended Slavery. Under your Majeſty's auſpicious Reign, we not only enjoy the Privileges of Engliſhmen, with a greater Security and Extent than ever, but are, as it were, made Citizens of the World, in a nobler Senſe than boaſting Antiquity underſtood it, even by being made Benefactors unto it.

Our humbleſt Thanks can add nothing to your Majeſty's Glory; that our Prayers may to your Succeſſes, is the pious Ambition of,

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,
Your Majeſty's moſt grateful and obedient Subjects.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen, together with the principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Hertford, has been preſented to His Majeſty by Sir Thomas Clarke and George Harriſon, Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Viſcount Townſhend one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State. Which Addreſs His Majeſty's was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,
The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen, together with the principal Inhabitants of your Majeſty's Ancient Borough of Hertford.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE beg Leave to offer your Majeſty the ſtrongeſt Aſſurance of our Duty and Affection in this preſent Conjuncture, when the unaccountable Union and ambitious Views of the ſeveral Powers engaged in the Vienna Treaty, ſeem to threaten the moſt valuable Branches of our Commerce, and the Impoſition of a Popiſh Pretender on theſe Kingdoms; an Attempt however Vain and Chimerical, yet not to be thought of by your faithful Subjects without the higheſt Reſentment, eſpecially when we conſider that one of thoſe Powers not only owes his Imperial Dominions to the Effuſion of the Blood and Treaſure of your Majeſty's Subjects, but even thoſe very Provinces which enable him, in direct Violation of ſubſiſting Treaties, to invade our Trade and Commerce.

We could not but embrace this Opportunity with the reſt of our Fellow Subjects, to aſſure your Majeſty of our inviolable Attachment to your Perſon and Government, and of our Readineſs to ſupport your Title to the Crown of theſe Realms, with all that is near

near and dear to us. And we cannot but expreſs our grateful Senſe of the wiſe and vigorous Meaſures your Majeſty has taken for the Welfare of theſe Kingdoms, by ſending your ſeveral Squadrons ſo ſeaſonably into the proper Stations, for diſappointing our Enemies; and of your Majeſty's early Care for the Preſervation of Gibraltar and Port-Mahon, Places of the greateſt Advantage to the Commerce of your Subjects, won by the Arms of Great Britain, and confirmed by the moſt ſolemn Treaties.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Town-Clerk, and Common-Council of His Majeſty's Ancient Corporation of King's-Lynn in the County of Norfolk, has been preſented to His Majeſty by Sir Charles Turner, introduced by Sir Robert Walpole, Chancellour of the Exchequer. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,
The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Town-Clerk, and Common-Council of your Majeſty's Ancient Corporation of King's-Lynn in the County of Norfolk.

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,

THE boundleſs Ambition of our ungrateful Neighbours ſounds the Trumpet again to Arms, which again calls upon us to repeat our unalterable Aſſurances of the moſt ſteady Loyalty to your Majeſty's Perſon and Government, our Abhorrence and Contempt of an abjured Pretender, againſt whom, and all other your Majeſty's Enemies, we will chearfully ſacrifice all that is dear to Mankind.

But the more artful the Contrivances of your Enemies have been, the greater hath been your Majeſty's Foreſight and Reſolution in fathoming their dark Receſſes, and rendring their Projects abortive; formidable Alliances have been formed in Oppoſition to thoſe of our Enemies; our Fleets have carried the Terrour of our Arms around the Compaſs; the Muſcovites have been reſtrained; the Swedes protected; the Ballance of the North ſecured; our own Country preſerved; and our Enemies hitherto fruſtrated of that Treaſure deſigned to be made uſe of for our Deſtruction: And we doubt not, (e'er long) they will be taught to know what it is to invade your Majeſty's Poſſeſſions, yeilded by the moſt ſolemn Treaties, to attack our Trade in the moſt valuable Branches, and openly to ſupport your faithleſs Enemies.

May your Majeſty long Reign over us, bleſt with Succeſs to your Arms by Sea and Land: May your Miniſtry be always faithful and ſteady, like thoſe you now employ: May no Traitor have ever Acceſs to your Councils; and may we never want one of your Majeſty's Royal Progeny to reign over us, till Time ſhall be no more.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgeſſes of the Borough of Shrewsbury, has been preſented to His Majeſty by Sir Richard Corbet and Oalando Bridgeman, Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty.
The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgeſſes of your Ancient and Loyal Borough of Shrewsbury.

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, who have felt the happy Influence of your Majeſty's wiſe and indulgent Government, during the whole Courſe of your auſpicious Reign, in protecting us and all your People in the full Enjoyment of all our Civil and Religious Rights, cannot but be juſtly alarmed at the dangerous Projects of certain formidable Powers, concerted to diſturb our happy Settlement and Commerce, and the Tranquility of Europe.

We cannot but reflect with the utmoſt Pleaſure and Satisfaction on the Diſappointment thoſe vain Projectors have met with by your Majeſty's ſeaſonable Precautions, in expeditiouſly ſending one of your Britiſh Fleets to block up an Imperial one in the Baltick; another to lock up the Treaſures of the Indies; and a third to ſecure your Majeſty's rightful Poſſeſſions in the Mediterranean, confirmed to you by moſt ſolemn Treaties; and as a Baſis for our further Security, your Majeſty's prevailing Intereſt has procured ſuch a powerful Alliance, which will in Time to come render the Hanover Enſigns more illuſtrious than the confederated Eagles of the Roman and Ruſſian Empires, and bind up the Golden Fleece of Spain in the renowned Garter of Great-Britain.

Theſe Inſtances of your Majeſty's powerful Intereſt and conſummate Policy, call for the loudeſt Acclamations, and moſt grateful Acknowledgments of all your loyal Subjects; and do in a more particular Manner excite in us an ardent Emulation to ſignalize our Duties in ſuch Terms as may be moſt agreeable to your Majeſty's mild Adminiſtration and Government.

Wherefore we crave Leave with all Humility to approach your Majeſty's Throne, to renew our moſt ſolemn Profeſſions of Duty and Loyalty; and as we hitherto upon all Occaſions exerted ourſelves in Defence of your Majeſty's ſacred Perſon and Government, and more particularly in the late Rebellious Times; So we now aſſure your Majeſty with zealous and ſincere Hearts, that we will continue in the ſame ſteady and dutiful Adherence to ſupport both; together with your illuſtrious Proteſtant Family, with all that is dear to us, againſt all Oppoſers whatſoever: In Teſtimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our Corporation Seal, the 14th Day of February, in the Year of our Lord 1726-7.

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The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, High-Steward, Recorder, Aldermen, Aſſiſtants, and Common-Council of the Borough of Colcheſter, in the County of Eſſex, has been preſented to His Majeſty by Sir Thomas Webſter and Matthew Martin, Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle, one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,
The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, High-Steward, Recorder, Aldermen, Aſſiſtants, and Common-Council of the Borough of Colcheſter, in the County of Eſſex.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE beg Leave at this important Juncture to expreſs our hearty Acknowledgments for your Majeſty's great Care in ſeaſonably diſcovering and warding off, by the wiſeſt Meaſures, the imminent Dangers which threatened our moſt darling and valuable Branches of Trade, our preſent happy Eſtabliſhment, and every thing elſe which is dear to us.

And altho' no Part of your Majeſty's Dominions will more ſenſibly feel the Effects of War than this Borough, which entirely depends on Trade; yet ſuch is our Indignation and Reſentment for the injurious and unprecedented Treatment your Majeſty has received, and the Inſults that have been offered, in Violation of the moſt ſolemn Ties and Treaties, That whatſoever Inconveniencies we may fall under, we aſſure your Majeſty, that we have ſo juſt a Senſe of your Majeſty's Honour, the Good of our Country, and the Liberty and Happineſs of Mankind, that we ſhall with the utmoſt Chearfulneſs be ready to ſacrifice our Lives and Fortunes to ſupport your Majeſty, not only in obtaining a juſt Reparation for ſuch notorious Breaches of Faith, but likewiſe for the ſettling of the Peace of Europe on ſuch a ſolid Foundation, as may be agreeable to the true Intereſt of theſe Nations, and all your Majeſty's Allies.

We doubt not, but that the Steadineſs of your Majeſty's Counſels and Admininiſtration, happily fixed in the moſt able vigilant and faithful Hands, and the wiſe and prudent Steps taken to ſupport the neceſſary Meaſures that were entered into for our Preſervation, (every Way worthy of a Britiſh Parliament) will ſoon put it out of the Power of any ambitious enterprizing Princes giving any Diſturbance to our publick Happineſs.

That all Attempts, either at home or abroad, againſt your Royal Perſon and Government, may prove vain and unſucceſsful, and end in the firmer Eſtabliſhment of your Throne; and that the Crown may long flouriſh on your ſacred Head, and afterwards be tranſmitted to your illuſtrious Progeny, for the Good of theſe Nations, and the common Welfare of Europe, are the ſincere Prayers of,

Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects.

Given under our common Seal at the Moot-Hall of the ſaid Town the 21ſt Day of February, Anno Dom. 1726.

The following humble Addreſs has been preſented to His Majeſty by Lewis Barton, Eſq; Mayor of the Borough of Portſmouth, and Sir John Norris, one of the Repreſentatives for the ſaid Borough, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Bolton, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Southampton. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly, and Mr. Mayor had the Honour to kiſs His Majeſty's Hand.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,
The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Burgeſſes of your Majeſty's moſt Ancient and Loyal Corporation of Portſmouth.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

PERMIT us, amongſt the reſt of your loyal and dutiful Subjects, to expreſs our juſt Senſe of the Felicity we partake of the invaluable Rights and Privileges every Subject of Great Britain now enjoys under the Reign of a Proteſtant Prince, who makes the Laws of his Country the Standard of all his Actions, and the Proſperity of his People his conſtant Care; theſe Conſiderations muſt ſtir up in the Breaſt of every Well-wiſher to his Country. the warmeſt Reſentment, Abhorrence, and Deteſtation againſt any Deſigns formed in favour of a Popiſh and abjured Pretender.

Your Majeſty's paternal Care for the Good of your People, (though obvious in every Inſtance) was never more Conſpicuous than in the Meaſures which have been taken by your Majeſty's conſummate Wiſdom, and the vigilant Care and Conduct of the moſt able Miniſters, to guard againſt any Incroachments on the Trade and Commerce of this Kingdom, and againſt all Attempts which may be made upon any Part of your Dominions.

And we doubt not but by the Bleſſing of God on your Majeſty's wiſe Counſels, the powerful Alliances you have entred into, and the formidable Force prepared both by Sea and Land, will render vain and ineffectual the Deſigns of thoſe who cannot be your Majeſty's Enemies without being at the ſame Time Diſturbers of the Tranquility of Europe; and that your Majeſty will have the Glory to preſerve a juſt Ballance of Power, and continue to be the ſucceſsful Supporter of the Proteſtant Intereſt. May your Majeſty's Reign over us be long, happy, and undiſturbed; may there never be wanting one of your illuſtrious Deſcendants to fill the Throne of theſe Kingdoms; and may the Bleſſings we at preſent enjoy be handed down to our lateſt Poſterity by Proteſtant Princes of your Royal Line.

Dated at the Guildhall of the ſaid Borough, Feb. 14, 1726.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats, and Freemen of the Town and Port of Haſting, in the County of Suſſex, has been preſented to His Majeſty by Sir William Aſhbournham, one of their Repreſentatives in Parliament, and Edward Dyne, Mayor, who had the Honour to kiſs His Majeſty's Hand, intro-

introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,
The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Jurats, and Freemen of the Town and Port of Haſting, in the County of Suſſex, in Common-Council aſſembled.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE beg Leave, with others of your Majeſty's loyal Subjects, to offer our moſt humble Acknowledgments, for the Happineſs we enjoy under your Majeſty's auſpicious Reign, and more particularly for the effectual Meaſures which your Majeſty has at this time taken, for preventing the ill Conſequences of the late Engagements entered into by ſome Foreign Powers, in order to diſturb your Majeſty's Government, by endeavouring to place a Popiſh Pretender upon your Throne, and deprive your faithful Subjects of their Rights and Privileges in Trade, which were ſecured to them at the Expence of ſo much Blood and Treaſure, and by the moſt ſolemn Treaties; and this Deſign carried on by Princes who are under the greateſt Obligations to your Majeſty and the Britiſh Nation, which cannot but raiſe in us our higheſt Reſentment and Indignation.

We therefore with the greateſt Sincerity do aſſure your Majeſty, that we are determined to hazard our Lives and Fortunes, and all that is dear to us, in defence of your ſacred Perſon and Government, and to ſupport the Succeſſion of your Royal Family againſt any Attempts of your Majeſty's Enemies.

We are ſenſible that, under God, the Preſervation of our happy Conſtitution in Church and State, is intirely owing to your Majeſty: And that the ſame good Providence which has hitherto crown'd with Succeſs all your Majeſty's Endeavours for the Welfare of your People, may ſtill aſſiſt and ſupport you in the maintaining the Intereſt of your Subjects in their Trade and Commerce, upon which the Proſperity of this Country does ſo much depend, and in ſecuring thoſe Poſſeſſions which are of infinite Advantage for that purpoſe, is the hearty Prayer of,

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,
your Majeſty's moſt faithful
and Obedient Subjects.

Given under our Common Seal the 23d Day of February, in the 13th Year of your Majeſty's glorious Reign.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, and Commonalty of New-Sarum, has been preſented to His Majeſty by the Lord Chief Juſtice Eyre, their Recorder, and Francis Kenton, Eſq; one of their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Pembroke, High-Steward. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

YOUR Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects the Mayor, and Commonalty of the City of New-Sarum, are deeply ſenſible of the Bleſſings they enjoy under your Majeſty's happy Government, and cannot but expreſs their Chearfulneſs to venture All for the Preſervation of that Conſtitution, (the Envy of the World) without which Life would be no longer deſirable.

Should the Enemies of your Majeſty and your Kingdom ever prevail, (which God avert) the diſmal Exchange would be the Darkneſs of Superſtition for the Purity of the Church of England, inſupportable Slavery for the ſweetneſs of Liberty, and wretched Poverty for Riches and a flouriſhing Trade, which we have hitherto enjoyed.

The Alliances your Majeſty of your princely Wiſdom has thought fit to make, are not for any new Acceſſion of Glory to your Name, or Enlargement of your Empire (thoſe are what your Majeſty does not want) but from a ſteady Purſuit of the Intereſt of your People, which your Majeſty graciouſly eſteems inſeparable from your own: And as they have already met with a full Approbation from the Auguſt Aſſembly in Parliament, we hope all your Majeſty's faithful Subjects will be ambitious of following an Example ſo worthy of Imitation.

May your Majeſty's Throne be as firm and unſhaken as your Title to it is juſt, and be ſafely tranſmitted to your Royal Family, ſupported by the united Hearts and Hands of your Subjects, againſt all Oppoſers; that the Fame, the Affection and the Loyalty of your People may ſpread as far as your triumphant Fleets and victorious Armies reach.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgeſſes and principal Inhabitants of the Town and Borough of Totnes, in the County of Devon, has been preſented to His Majeſty by the Mayor, and Sir Charles Wills and Mr. Treby their Repreſentatives in Parliament, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle one of His Majeſty's principal Secretaries of State. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgeſſes, and principal Inhabitants of the Town and Borough of Totnes, in the County of Devon, humbly beg Leave to approach your Royal Preſence, to teſtify on the preſent Juncture of Affairs, our utmoſt Deteſtation and Abhorrence of the clandeſtine Machinations and Confederacies form'd by the Emperour of Germany and King of Spain, againſt your Majeſty's Royal Perſon and Government, the Trade and Privileges of theſe Kingdoms, and the general Peace and Tranquility of all Europe.

Such deſtructive Schemes, too black to be publickly own'd, and yet too true to be abſolutely deny'd, cannot but be Matter of the greateſt Surprize and Aſtoniſhment to the preſent and all future Ages that ſhall ſee or hear of them, and know that the ſame were contrived by two Princes in whoſe Quarrel all Chriſtendom hath already been deluged in Blood, and exhauſted of immenſe Treaſures,

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and who in Return are now ſetting the World in freſh Flames, by an unnatural joyning Hands to raiſe an exorbitant and formidable Power in themſelves, with Views to oppreſs and injure their quondam Allies, and chief Inſtruments of ſeating them on their reſpective Thrones.

But alas! their vain vaunting Menaces and Threats of Spaniſh Armadas, and German Hoſts, are too chimerical to affrighten and terrify your ever valiant Britons; eſpecially when we conſider the conſummate Wiſdom of your Majeſty in contracting ſuch powerful Alliances, and taking ſuch early Precautions for the Safety of your People; the true Britiſh Zeal of your glorious Parliament, and the Indefatigable Pains and Induſtry of your moſt incomparable Miniſtry: Or when we call to Remembrance how that our ſingle County hath heretofore in like critical Times furniſhed your Royal Predeceſſors with a renowned Drake, whoſe Name the Sons of Spain ſtill tremble to hear; and of later Years with a Churchill (the Immortal Marlborough) to whom Hochſtedt witneſſeth, that all Germany owes its Preſervation, and the Head of it his now Imperial Greatneſs: Which Heroes, tho' now lain down in the Duſt, your Majeſty hath ſtill a Wager and an Hoſier, whoſe gallant Actions, we promiſe ourſelves, will give the Spaniards equal Cauſe to remember them. And our Borough now ſends to your Senate a Wills, who, as he hath been the Scourge of perfidious Rebels at Home, will, we doubt not on Occaſion, with like Courage and Succeſs, vanquiſh and confound all your Majeſty's Faith-breaking Enemies abroad.

The Four Shillings per Pound Land-Tax, ſet on us by your Parliament, is ſo far from making us any wiſe uneaſy, that we ſhall not only pay it with the greateſt Chearfulneſs imaginable, but alſo readily add the other Sixteen, and every thing elſe that is dear and valuable to us, as a Free-Will-Offering for the publick Service, rather than that ſuch provoking Indignities and inſulting Threats ſhall be ever offered to your moſt Sacred Majeſty, or the Britiſh Nation, on Behalf of a ſpurious Popiſh Pretender; whom, as we and all your loyal Subjects have ſo frequently and deliberately abjured, we are reſolutely determined to oppoſe to the very laſt Breath of the longeſt Liver of us all, that ſo if ever, which Heavens forbid! he ſhould at laſt happen to ſucceed, there ſhall not then remain one Proteſtant Briton left for him to exerciſe his tyrannical Uſurpation over.

Theſe, may it pleaſe your Majeſty, are our ſolemn Vows and unalterable Reſolutions; and our moſt earneſt Prayers to the Almighty King of Kings are, and conſtantly ſhall be, That long, very long and proſperous, may be your Majeſty's Reign over us; and that whenever it ſhall pleaſe God to take your moſt ſacred Majeſty from this your earthly Crown, to a heavenly Diadem, your Royal Houſe may never want a Prince, equal in Virtue, Piety and Magnanimity, to ſit on the Throne of theſe Realms, by whom the many Bleſſings and unſpeakable Happineſſes we now enjoy under your Majeſty's moſt glorious and auſpicious Reign, may be perpetuated to our Children and lateſt Poſterities.

An humble Addreſs of the Noblemen, Barons, Freeholders, and Heritors of the Shire of Banff, has been preſented to His Majeſty, by Alexander Abercromby, Eſq; their Repreſentative in Parliament, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

An humble Addreſs of the underſubſcribing Magiſtrates, Councellours, and Burgeſſes of the Burgh of Dundee, has been preſented to his Majeſty by his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, having been tranſmitted to his Grace in the Abſence of their Repreſentative in Parliament.

Which Addreſſes His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

Lisbon, Feb. 22, *N. S.* His Portugueſe Majeſty has appointed Dom Fernando Maſcarenhas Marqueſs of Fronteira, to be Preſident of the Dezembargo de Paco, and Maſter of the Houſhold to her Portugueſe Majeſty, in the Room of the Duke of Cadaval deceaſed: And the Marqueſs D'Abrantes to ſucceed the Marqueſs de Fronteira in the Employment of Inſpector General of the Navy. His Majeſty has alſo appointed Dom Antonio da Silva Caldeyra Pimentel, to be Governour of the Province of St. Paulo. The 12th Inſtant arrived ſeveral Merchant Ships from Amſterdam, under the Convoy of two Dutch Men of War. The Chevalier Strozzi, who had been appointed Reſident from the Emperour to this Court, died in his Paſſage on board one of theſe Ships 14 Days before they arrived here; and was interred in the Royal Monaſtery at Bellem the 15th Inſtant.

Navy-Office, Feb. 24, 1726.

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Treaſury having appointed Money for paying of Half Pay to Sea Officers from the 1ſt of January 1725, to the 31ſt of December laſt, according to His Majeſty's Eſtabliſhment on that Behalf: Theſe are to give Notice, that the ſaid Payments will begin to be made at the Treaſurer of the Navy's Office in Broad-ſtreet, on Monday the 6th of March next for the Captains, Tueſday the 7th for the Lieutenants, and Wedneſday the 8th for the Maſters: That all Perſons concerned may then and there attend to receive what may become payable to them, and not only bring with them the Affidavits required, touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any publick Employment whatſoever, either at Sea or on Shore, during the Time they are to be paid the ſaid Half Pay, but alſo produce Certificates (if they have not done it already) that they have ſubſcribed the Teſt, and taken the Oaths required by the late Act of Parliament; and in Caſe any of the ſaid Officers ſhall not be able to attend themſelves to receive their Money, but employ Attorneys for that Purpoſe, that the ſaid Attorneys may produce the like Certificates and Affidavits from the Perſons they are employed by.

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Pay-Office Horſe-Guards, Feb. 28, 1726.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury having directed Six Months Half Pay to the Reduced Officers of His Majeſty's Land Forces and Marines to the 24th of December laſt: Theſe are to give Notice, That upon Tueſday the 7th of March next Attendance will be given at the Office aforeſaid, for Payment of the ſame accordingly.

S. Compton.

This is to give Notice, That the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury have been pleaſed to appoint Money to pay all the Arrears due to the Penſioners belonging to the Cheſt at Chatham to Lady-Day 1725; and that the ſaid Pay will begin on Tueſday the 11th of April 1727, at the Hill-Houſe in Chatham.

The Directors of the Corporation of the Amicable Society for a Perpetual Aſſurance-Office hereby give Notice, That all Members of the ſaid Corporation who ſhall be Five Quarters in Arrear at Lady-Day next, will be excluded at the next General Court, unleſs they pay their Arrears on or before the 25th Day of April next.

John Rutter.

Advertiſements.

This Day is publiſhed, in Two Volumes in Octavo. *Materia Medica*; or, A new Deſcription of the Virtues and Effects of all Drugs or Simple Medicines now in Uſe. Where from their Principles their Virtues, both common and ſpecifick, are ſhewn, with the Preparations of each. And Preſcriptions, as alſo Judicious Remarks, are every where interſperſed. Done from the Latin Original of Dr. Paul Harman, late Profeſſor of Botany in Leyden. To which is prefixed, A General Introduction, containing a Mechanical Account of the Operations of all Medicines upon human Bodies. Alſo critical Obſervations are added to each Simple through the whole, where-ever it was found neceſſary. By Edward Strother, M. D. of the College of Phyſicians, London. Printed for Charles Rivington, at the Bible and Crown in St. Paul's Church-yard.

TO be Sold, the Mannor of St. John Baptiſt, near Colerain in Ireland, with the Demeſnes and other Lands and Appurtenances, ſubject to a Rent Charge of 150 l. per Annum. Further Information to be had, and Propoſals to be left with Mr. George North, Clerk to the Company of Merchant-Taylors, at their Hall, near the Royal Exchange, London: Where a Committee will ſit on the 9th of March next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, in order to diſpoſe thereof.

IN purſuance of an Order made in the High Court of Chancery, in a Cauſe there depending, wherein Thomas Hooke Clerk and his Wife and others, are Plaintiffs, againſt Hugh Taylor, Gent. and others, Defendants; the Creditors of Hugh Taylor, deceaſed, are to come and prove their Debts before Robert Holford, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, on or before the firſt Day of next Term, otherwiſe they will be excluded.

TO be ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before John Bennett, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, on Thurſday the 16th Day of March next, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, to the beſt Bidder, the Eſtate of the late Sir John Wittewrong, Bart. deceaſed, at Stauntonbury, in the County of Bucks, near Newport-Pagnell, being above 800 l. per Ann. about 40 Miles from London. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Houſe in Chancery-Lane, London.

WHereas Mrs. Dorothy O'Rirk, of Great Wild-ſtreet, London, Widow, lately deceaſed, did by her Will give a conſiderable Legacy to her Nephew Edward Langford, Doctor in Phyſick: If the ſaid Edward Langford will come unto Mr. Robert Aſhmall, at his Chambers, N° 24, in Lincoln's-Inn Old-Buildings, he may be further informed of the Particulars.

WHereas one Henry Featherſtone died ſeveral Years ſince, and left a Will, which hath been proved, as it is ſuppoſed, ſometime between the Years 1679, and 1699, by which the ſaid Henry Featherſtone did bequeath an Eſtate to Charles Featherſtone his Son, or to Henry Charles Featherſtone his Grandſon, then reſiding at Virginia, which Will is not to be found in the Prerogative Office in London: Therefore, if any Perſon ſhall within two Months from the Date hereof diſcover and give any Information where the ſaid Will is proved, unto Mr. Shayler, Attorney, in Bow-lane, London, ſo as the ſame can be ſeen or come at by the ſaid Mr. Shayler, ſuch Perſon ſhall receive from the ſaid Mr. Shayler Five Guineas as a Reward for ſuch Information and Diſcovery.

Feb. 20, 1726-7.

WHereas it has been advertiſed in ſeveral Papers, that a Note of Mr. Alderman Child's, payable to George Prat Webb, Eſq; for 100 l. and indorſed by him, dated the 22d of November laſt, was loſt at the Maſquerade in the Hay-Market on the 19th of January, in a ſmall black Leather Letter-Caſe: Whoever brings the ſame to Mr Child's Houſe near Temple-Bar, within ten Days from the Date hereof, ſhall receive 10 l. to be paid on Delivery of the ſaid Note, and no Queſtions aſk'd, Payment being ſtopt, and it being of no Uſe but to the Owner.

HEHRY Parkhurſt, Subſcriber to all the Plates in Epſom, has very good Stables, and as good going out to the Downs as any in Epſom; and has a Mare to be ſold for Runing or Hunting.

WHereas Notice was given in the London Gazette of the 11th Inſtant, for the Creditors of William Keele and Joſeph Greenway, of St. Paul's Shadwell, in the County of Middleſex, Shipwrights and Partners, to meet on the 22d of the ſame, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to chuſe Aſſignees of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate, but no Creditor then appearing, the Commiſſioners have adjourned the ſaid Choice to the 13th of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall aforeſaid; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-bution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Euſtace Harding, of Darford, in the County of Kent, Fruiterer, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 3d, 10th, and 30th of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are deſired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Anthony Harriſon, Attorney, in Grocer's-Alley, next the Bank of England.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Jacob Dubourdieu, of Cranborn-Alley, of the Pariſh of St. Martin's in the Fields, in the County of Middleſex, Mercer, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 2d, 9th and 30th of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. And all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are deſired to give Notice to Mr. St. Eloy, Attorney, in Crown-Court, in Broad-ſtreet, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Nicholas Green, of the Pariſh of St. Olave's Southwark, in the County of Surrey, Tallow-Chandler, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 3d, 10th and 30th of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the firſt of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees.

WHereas Benjamin Jones, of Angel-Alley, in Biſhopſgate-ſtreet, London, Brewer, hath ſurrendred himſelf (purſuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commiſſioners on the 9th of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to finiſh his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas